

MEXBOROUGH URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.Annual Report of the  
Medical Officer of Health.For the year ending December 31st 1941.

To the Chairman and Members of the  
Mexborough Urban District Council.

Gentlemen,

I have the honour and pleasure to present my Annual Report on the Health of the Mexborough Urban District for the year ending 31st December, 1941.

General Statistics.

Area of the District.	1451 acres.
Population estimated to middle of 1940.	19,300.
Population at census 1931.	15,856.
Height above sea level.	125 feet.
Number of houses occupied.	4760.
Average persons per house.	4.05.
Rateable value.	£73,398.
Sum produced by a penny rate.	£268:4:5:
Rainfall for 1941.	22.17.
Birth rate per 1,000 population.	13.
Death rate per 1,000 population	12.7.
Infantile Mortality rate per 1,000 births.	53.77.
Zymotic Death rate per 1,000 population.	0.1.
Tuberculosis Death rate per 1,000 population.	.
(1) Pulmonary.	0.6.
(2) Non-Pulmonary	0.15.
Cancer Death rate.	1.5.

BIRTHS:

	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
Legitimate Births.	115	126	241
Illegitimate "	7	3	10
			<u>251</u>

Birth rate per 1,000 population:- 13.

DEATHS.

	<u>Male.</u>	<u>Female</u>
Deaths registered in the District	83	69
Mexborough Residents dying outside.	65	42
	<u>148</u>	<u>111</u>

Total Deaths. 259 corresponding to a death rate of 12.77.



CAUSES OF DEATH.Deaths from all causes.

	Males	Females	Total.
Uraemia.	5.	1	6.
Prematurity.	8.	6	14.
Bronchitis.	15.	15	30.
Pneumonia.	17.	12	29.
Peritonitis.	5.	6.	11
Heart Disease.	27.	16.	43.
Senility.	5.	9.	14.
Meningitis.	1.		1.
Sclerosis.	3.	3.	6.
Cancer.	11.	8.	19.
Violence.	19	6.	25.
Cerebral Haemorrhage.	8.	7.	15
Tuberculosis.	11.	4.	15.
Nephritis.	2.	4.	6.
Anaemia.	3.	4.	7.
Malignant Disease	2.	4.	6.
Other Defined Diseases.	6.	6.	12.
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INFECTIOUS DISEASES.Cases Notified.

(a) Scarlet Fever	33.
Diphtheria.	29.
Primary Pneumonia.	6.
Whooping Cough.	107.
Measles.	32.
Meningitis.	7.
Erysipelas.	2.
Puerperal Pyrexia.	6.
Ophthalmia Neonatorum.	4.
Dysentery.	1.
Total.	<u>227.</u>
(b) <u>Tuberculosis Returns.</u>	

N. o. of cases on the register on the 31st December 1941.

<u>Pulmonary</u>		<u>Non-Pulmonary</u>	
Males	Females.	Males	Females
<u>22</u>	<u>84</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>24</u>

MILK SUPPLY.

Number of Cowkeepers in this district.	4.
Number of Cowsheds.	4.
Number of Milk Cows.	46.
Number of inspections made.	43.
Number of Licences granted for retailing T.T. milk.	1.
Number of samples taken for Bacteriological examination.	6.
Number of samples found good.	4.
Number of Milk Retailers on Register.	9.

Dr. T. Lindsay.  
Medical Officer of Health.



# MEXBOROUGH URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

## Public Health Department.

To the Chairman and Members of the  
Mexborough Urban District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Gentlemen,

I beg to present my Annual Report on the  
work of the Public Health Department during 1941. This report is  
chiefly confined to actual figures.

The Department has been responsible for the  
organisation and training of Decontamination parties.

### INSPECTION WORK.

#### Housing Repairs

Roof repairs.	87.
Damp walls remedied.	12.
New handrails.	2.
Window repairs.	43.
New sinks.	9.
Plaster renewed.	87.
Coppers renewed.	16.
Flues gutters renewed.	56.
Rain water pipes renewed.	19.
Yards paved.	2.
Floor repairs.	11.
Ranges repaired.	33.
Water in cellars remedied.	23.
Sink pipes renewed.	10.
Sink linings renewed.	7.
Walls repaired.	9.
Doors repaired.	15.
New dustbins.	83.
Chimney repairs.	11.
Steps repaired.	7.

#### F.Cs.

Defects remedied.	85.
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#### DRAINAGE.

No. of houses not connected to sewer.	19.
Choked drains relieved.	73.
Man holes reconstructed.	5.
New manholes.	3.
Drains relaid.	19.





## NUISANCES.

Premises cleansed.	7.
Offensive accumulations removed.	6.
Smoke nuisances abated.	5.
Rat nuisances abated.	9.

## DISINFESTATION.

Bug infested premises disinfested.	33.
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## NOTICES.

Informal notices served.	203.
Statutory notices served.	14.

## COMPLAINTS.

No. of complaints received and dealt with.	258.
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## SCAVENGING.

Transport = 3 Morris Commercial vehicles.

No. of bin premises receiving attention:-	246,127.
No. of loads of refuse:-	3,171.

All refuse is disposed of at one tip by controlled tipping

## SALVAGE.

The income from salvage was £559-3-9. and the following materials were salvaged:-

	Tons	Cwts	Qrs	lbs
Paper.	93	1	2	
Food waste.	5.	1.		
Textiles	3		3	18
Bones	1	16	1	4
Cullet	7	16		
Flattened tins	17	11		
Cartons 2237				
Non ferrous metals		4	3	21
Ferrous metals	6	7	2	14
Tins 1890				
Bottles & Jars	2075	dozs		
Skins.	2.			

## MEAT INSPECTION.

No animals have been slaughtered for sale in the urban area, the district obtaining its meat supply from a nearby Government slaughtering centre.

85 visits were paid to the local meat receiving depot.





### OTHER FOODS INSPECTION.

Visits were paid to wholesale and retail food shops and the following amounts of foodstuffs were found to be unfit for human consumption and surrendered by the owners:-

40 lbs 4 ozs Tinned meats: 90 lbs 7 ozs Ham & Bacon: 74 lbs 4 ozs  
Cheese: 16 lbs Bread: 875 Eggs: 90 lbs Sausage: 84 lbs Kippers  
39 lbs Luncheon Sausage: 8 Tins Milk: 1 Tin Vegetables: 1 Tin Sardines  
15,938 Oranges: 6lbs Jam: 1Ton 2 qrs 10lbs 8ozs Onions: 1 Tin Fruit:

### REGISTERED PREMISES.

Common Lodging Houses	2.
Bakehouses.	4
Tripe Boilers.	2
Moveable Dwellings	12
Rag and Metal Dealers.	2

H. Brearley.  
Sanitary inspector.

